#### OFFICE OF THE STATE CONTROLLER

#### STATE MANDATED COSTS CLAIMING INSTRUCTIONS NO. 2005-12

#### THE STULL ACT

December 12, 2005

In accordance with Government Code Section (GC §) 17561, eligible claimants may submit claims to the State Controller's Office (SCO) for reimbursement of costs incurred for state mandated cost programs. The following are claiming instructions and forms that eligible claimants will use for the filing of claims for the Stull Act program. These claiming instructions are issued subsequent to adoption of the program's Parameters and Guidelines (P's & G's) by the Commission on State Mandates (COSM).

On May 27, 2004, the COSM determined that Education Code Sections 44660 to 44665 (formerly Ed. Code §§ 13485 to 13490) established costs mandated by the State according to the provisions listed in the P's & G's. For your reference, the P's & G's are included as an integral part of the claiming instructions.

## **Eligible Claimants**

Any "school district," as defined in GC§ 17519, except for community colleges, which incurs increased costs as a result of this mandate, is eligible to claim reimbursement. Charter schools are not eligible claimants.

## **Filing Deadlines**

#### A. Reimbursement Claims

Initial reimbursement claims must be filed within 120 days from the issuance date of claiming instructions. Costs incurred for compliance with Chapter 498, Statutes of 1983, are eligible for reimbursement for fiscal year 1997-98 through 2004-05. Costs incurred for compliance with Chapter 4, Statutes of 1999, are eligible for reimbursement for the period March 15, 1999, to June 30, 1999, and fiscal years 1999-00 through 2004-05. Claims must be filed with the SCO and be delivered or postmarked on or before **April 11, 2006**. Estimated claims for fiscal year 2005-06 must be filed on or before **April 11, 2006**.

In order for a claim to be considered properly filed, it must include any specific supporting documentation requested in the instructions. Claims filed more than one year after the deadline or without the requested supporting documentation will not be accepted.

## **B.** Late Penalty

#### 1. Initial Claims

AB 3000 enacted into law on September 30, 2002, amended the late penalty assessments on initial claims. Late initial claims submitted **on or after September 30, 2002**, are assessed a late penalty of 10% of the total amount of the initial claims **without** limitation.

#### 2. Annual Reimbursement Claims

All late annual reimbursement claims are assessed a late penalty of 10% subject to the \$1,000 limitation regardless of when the claims were filed.

#### C. Estimated Claims

Unless otherwise specified in the claiming instructions, school districts, are not required to provide cost schedules and supporting documents with an estimated claim if the estimated amount does not exceed the previous fiscal year's actual costs by more than 10%. Claimants can simply enter the estimated amount on form FAM-27, line (07).

However, if the estimated claim exceeds the previous fiscal year's actual costs by more than 10%, claimants must complete supplemental claim forms to support their estimated costs as specified for the program to explain the reason for the increased costs. If no explanation supporting the higher estimate is provided with the claim, it will automatically be adjusted to 110% of the previous fiscal year's actual costs. Future estimated claims filed with the SCO must be postmarked by January 15 of the fiscal year in which costs will be incurred. Claims filed timely will be paid before late claims.

#### **Minimum Claim Cost**

GC section 17564(a) provides that no claim shall be filed pursuant to Sections 17551 and 17561, unless such a claim exceeds one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

#### **Reimbursement of Claims**

To be eligible for mandated cost reimbursement for any fiscal year, only actual costs may be claimed. Actual costs are those costs actually incurred to implement the mandated activities. Actual costs must be traceable and supported by source documents that show the validity of such costs, when they were incurred, and their relationship to the reimbursable activities. A source document is a document created at or near the same time the actual cost was incurred for the event or activity in question.

Source documents may include, but are not limited to, employee time records or time logs, signin sheets, invoices, and receipts. Evidence corroborating the source documents may include, but is not limited to, worksheets, cost allocation reports (system generated), purchase orders, contracts, agendas, training packets, and declarations. Evidence corroborating the source documents may include data relevant to the reimbursable activities otherwise in compliance with local, state, and federal government requirements. However, corroborating documents cannot be substituted for source documents.

#### **Certification of Claim**

In accordance with the provisions of GC§ 17561, an authorized representative of the claimant shall be required to provide a certification of claim stating: "I certify, (or declare), under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct," and must further comply with the requirements of the Code of Civil Procedure Section 2015.5, for those costs mandated by the State and contained herein.

#### **Audit of Costs**

All claims submitted to the SCO are reviewed to determine if costs are related to the mandate, are reasonable and not excessive, and the claim was prepared in accordance with the SCO's claiming instructions and the P's & G's adopted by the COSM. If any adjustments are made to a claim, a "Notice of Claim Adjustment" specifying the claim component adjusted, the amount adjusted, and the reason for the adjustment, will be mailed within 30 days after payment of the claim.

Pursuant to GC§ 17558.5, subdivision (a), a reimbursement claim for actual costs filed by a school district pursuant to this chapter is subject to the initiation of an audit by the SCO no later than three years after the date that the actual reimbursement claim is filed or last amended, whichever is later. However, if no funds are appropriated or no payment is made to a claimant for the program for the fiscal year for which the claim is filed, the time for the SCO to initiate an audit shall commence to run from the date of initial payment of the claim.

In any case, an audit shall be completed not later than two years after the date that the audit is commenced. All documents used to support the reimbursable activities must be retained during the period subject to audit. If an audit has been initiated by the SCO during the period subject to audit, the retention period is extended until the ultimate resolution of any audit findings. On-site audits will be conducted by the SCO as deemed necessary.

#### **Retention of Claiming Instructions**

The claiming instructions and forms in this package should be retained permanently in your Mandated Cost Manual for future reference and use in filing claims. These forms should be duplicated to meet your filing requirements. You will be notified of updated forms or changes to claiming instructions as necessary.

Questions or requests for hard copies of these instructions should be faxed to Ginny Brummels at (916) 323-6527, or e-mailed to **LRSDAR@sco.ca.gov.** Or, if you wish, you may call the Local Reimbursements Section at (916) 324-5729.

For your reference, these and future mandated costs claiming instructions and forms can be found on the Internet at www.sco.ca.gov/ard/local/locreim/index.shtml.

#### **Address for Filing Claims**

Claims should be rounded to the nearest dollar. Submit a signed original and a copy of form FAM-27, Claim for Payment, and all other forms and supporting documents. (To expedite the payment process, please sign the form in blue ink, and attach a copy of the form FAM-27 to the top of the claim package.)

Use the following mailing addresses:

If delivered by U.S. Postal Service:

Office of the State Controller Attn: Local Reimbursements Section Division of Accounting and Reporting P.O. Box 942850 Sacramento, CA 94250 If delivered by other delivery services:

Office of the State Controller Attn: Local Reimbursements Section Division of Accounting and Reporting 3301 C Street, Suite 500 Sacramento, CA 95816

## PARAMETERS AND GUIDELINES

Education Code Sections 44660-44665 (Former Ed. Code, §§ 13485-13490)

Statutes 1983, Chapter 498 Statutes 1999, Chapter 4

*The Stull Act* (98-TC-25)

Denair Unified School District and Grant Joint Union High School District, Claimants

#### I. SUMMARY OF THE MANDATE

On May 27, 2004, the Commission on State Mandates (Commission) adopted the Statement of Decision for *The Stull Act* test claim. The Commission found that Education Code sections 44660-44665 (formerly Ed. Code, §§ 13485-13490) constitute a new program or higher level of service and impose a state-mandated program upon school districts within the meaning of article XIII B, section 6 of the California Constitution and Government Code section 17514. Accordingly, the Commission approved this test claim for the following reimbursable activities:

- Evaluate and assess the performance of certificated instructional employees that perform the requirements of educational programs mandated by state or federal law as it reasonably relates to the instructional techniques and strategies used by the employee and the employee's adherence to curricular objectives. (Ed. Code, § 44662, subd. (b), as amended by Stats. 1983, ch. 498.)
  - Reimbursement for this activity is limited to the review of the employee's instructional techniques and strategies and adherence to curricular objectives, and to include in the written evaluation of the certificated instructional employees the assessment of these factors during the following evaluation periods:
  - o Once each year for probationary certificated employees;
  - o Every other year for permanent certificated employees; and
  - Beginning January 1, 2004, every five years for certificated employees with permanent status who have been employed at least ten years with the school district, are highly qualified (as defined in 20 U.S.C. § 7801), and whose previous evaluation rated the employee as meeting or exceeding standards, if the evaluator and certificated employee being evaluated agree.
- Evaluate and assess the performance of certificated instructional employees that teach reading, writing, mathematics, history/social science, and science in grades 2 to 11 as it reasonably relates to the progress of pupils towards the state adopted academic content standards as measured by state adopted assessment tests. (Ed. Code, § 44662, subd. (b), as amended by Stats. 1999, ch. 4.)
  - Reimbursement for this activity is limited to the review of the results of the STAR test as it reasonably relates to the performance of those certificated employees that

teach reading, writing, mathematics, history/social science, and science in grades 2 to 11, and to include in the written evaluation of those certificated employees the assessment of the employee's performance based on the STAR results for the pupils they teach during the evaluation periods specified in Education Code section 44664, and described below:

- o Once each year for probationary certificated employees;
- o Every other year for permanent certificated employees; and
- o Beginning January 1, 2004, every five years for certificated employees with permanent status who have been employed at least ten years with the school district, are highly qualified (as defined in 20 U.S.C. § 7801), and whose previous evaluation rated the employee as meeting or exceeding standards, if the evaluator and certificated employee being evaluated agree.
- Assess and evaluate permanent certificated, instructional and non-instructional, employees that perform the requirements of educational programs mandated by state or federal law and receive an unsatisfactory evaluation in the years in which the permanent certificated employee would not have otherwise been evaluated pursuant to Education Code section 44664 (i.e., every other year). The additional evaluations shall last until the employee achieves a positive evaluation, or is separated from the school district. (Ed. Code, § 44664, as amended by Stats. 1983, ch. 498.) This additional evaluation and assessment of the permanent certificated employee requires the school district to perform the following activities:
  - Evaluate and assess the certificated employee performance as it reasonably relates to the following criteria: (1) the progress of pupils toward the standards established by the school district of expected pupil achievement at each grade level in each area of study, and, if applicable, the state adopted content standards as measured by state adopted criterion referenced assessments; (2) the instructional techniques and strategies used by the employee; (3) the employee's adherence to curricular objectives; (4) the establishment and maintenance of a suitable learning environment, within the scope of the employee's responsibilities; and, if applicable, (5) the fulfillment of other job responsibilities established by the school district for certificated non-instructional personnel (Ed. Code, § 44662, subds. (b) and (c));
  - O The evaluation and assessment shall be reduced to writing. (Ed. Code, § 44663, subd. (a).) The evaluation shall include recommendations, if necessary, as to areas of improvement in the performance of the employee. If the employee is not performing his or her duties in a satisfactory manner according to the standards prescribed by the governing board, the school district shall notify the employee in writing of that fact and describe the unsatisfactory performance (Ed. Code, § 44664, subd. (b));
  - o Transmit a copy of the written evaluation to the certificated employee (Ed. Code, § 44663, subd. (a));
  - o Attach any written reaction or response to the evaluation by the certificated employee to the employee's personnel file (Ed. Code, § 44663, subd. (a)); and

O Conduct a meeting with the certificated employee to discuss the evaluation (Ed. Code, § 44553, subd. (a).)

The Commission further found that the activities listed above do not constitute reimbursable state-mandated programs with respect to certificated personnel employed in local, discretionary educational programs.

Finally, the Commission found that all other statutes in the test claim not mentioned above are not reimbursable state-mandated programs within the meaning of article XIII B, section 6 and Government Code section 17514.

#### II. ELIGIBLE CLAIMANTS

Any "school district" as defined in Government Code section 17519, except for community colleges, which incurs increased costs as a result of this mandate is eligible to claim reimbursement. Charter schools are not eligible claimants.

#### III. PERIOD OF REIMBURSEMENT

Government Code section 17557 states that a test claim must be submitted on or before June 30 following a given fiscal year to establish eligibility for that fiscal year. The test claim for this mandate was filed on June 30, 1999. Therefore, the costs incurred for compliance with Statutes 1983, chapter 498 are eligible for reimbursement on or after July 1, 1997. Statutes 1999, chapter 4 was an urgency statute operative March 15, 1999; therefore, costs incurred for compliance with Statutes 1999, chapter 4 are eligible for reimbursement on or after March 15, 1999.

Actual costs for one fiscal year should be included in each claim. Estimated costs for the subsequent year may be included on the same claim, if applicable. Pursuant to Government Code section 17561, subdivision (d)(1)(A), all claims for reimbursement of initial fiscal year costs shall be submitted to the State Controller within 120 days of the issuance date for the claiming instructions.

If the total costs for a given fiscal year do not exceed \$1,000, no reimbursement shall be allowed, except as otherwise allowed by Government Code section 17564.

#### IV. REIMBURSABLE ACTIVITIES

To be eligible for mandated cost reimbursement for any fiscal year, only actual costs may be claimed. Actual costs are those costs actually incurred to implement the mandated activities. Actual costs must be traceable and supported by source documents that show the validity of such costs, when they were incurred, and their relationship to the reimbursable activities. A source document is a document created at or near the same time the actual cost was incurred for the event or activity in question. Source documents may include, but are not limited to, employee time records or time logs, sign-in sheets, invoices, and receipts.

Evidence corroborating the source documents may include, but is not limited to, worksheets, cost allocation reports (system generated), purchase orders, contracts, agendas, and declarations. Declarations must include a certification or declaration stating, "I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct," and must further comply with the requirements of Code of Civil Procedure section 2015.5. Evidence corroborating the source documents may include data relevant to the reimbursable

activities otherwise in compliance with local, state, and federal government requirements. However, corroborating documents cannot be substituted for source documents.

The claimant is only allowed to claim and be reimbursed for increased costs for the reimbursable activities identified below. Increased cost is limited to the cost of an activity that the claimant is required to incur as a result of the mandate.

For each eligible claimant, the following activities are reimbursable:

## A. Certificated Instructional Employees

1. Evaluate and assess the performance of certificated instructional employees that perform the requirements of educational programs mandated by state or federal law as it reasonably relates to the instructional techniques and strategies used by the employee and the employee's adherence to curricular objectives (Ed. Code, § 44662, subd. (b), as amended by Stats. 1983, ch. 498.). (*Reimbursement period begins July 1, 1997.*)

Reimbursement for this activity is limited to:

- a. reviewing the employee's instructional techniques and strategies and adherence to curricular objectives, and
- b. including in the written evaluation of the certificated instructional employees the assessment of these factors during the following evaluation periods:
  - o once each year for probationary certificated employees;
  - o every other year for permanent certificated employees; and
  - o beginning January 1, 2004, every five years for certificated employees with permanent status who have been employed at least ten years with the school district, are highly qualified (as defined in 20 U.S.C. § 7801), and whose previous evaluation rated the employee as meeting or exceeding standards, if the evaluator and certificated employee being evaluated agree.

Note: For purposes of claiming reimbursement, eligible claimants must identify the state or federal law mandating the educational program being performed by the certificated instructional employees.

2. Evaluate and assess the performance of certificated instructional employees that teach reading, writing, mathematics, history/social science, and science in grades 2 to 11 as it reasonably relates to the progress of pupils towards the state adopted academic content standards as measured by state adopted assessment tests (Ed. Code, § 44662, subd. (b), as amended by Stats. 1999, ch. 4.). (*Reimbursement period begins March 15, 1999*.)

Reimbursement for this activity is limited to:

- a. reviewing the results of the Standardized Testing and Reporting test as it reasonably relates to the performance of those certificated employees that teach reading, writing, mathematics, history/social science, and science in grades 2 to 11, and
- b. including in the written evaluation of those certificated employees the assessment of the employee's performance based on the Standardized Testing and Reporting

results for the pupils they teach during the evaluation periods specified in Education Code section 44664, and described below:

- o once each year for probationary certificated employees;
- o every other year for permanent certificated employees; and
- o beginning January 1, 2004, every five years for certificated employees with permanent status who have been employed at least ten years with the school district, are highly qualified (as defined in 20 U.S.C. § 7801), and whose previous evaluation rated the employee as meeting or exceeding standards, if the evaluator and certificated employee being evaluated agree.

#### B. Certificated (Instructional and Non-Instructional) Employees

1. Evaluate and assess permanent certificated, instructional and non-instructional, employees that perform the requirements of educational programs mandated by state or federal law and receive an unsatisfactory evaluation in the years in which the permanent certificated employee would not have otherwise been evaluated pursuant to Education Code section 44664 (i.e., every other year). The additional evaluations shall last until the employee achieves a positive evaluation, or is separated from the school district (Ed. Code, § 44664, as amended by Stats. 1983, ch. 498). (*Reimbursement period begins July 1, 1997.*)

This additional evaluation and assessment of the permanent certificated employee requires the school district to perform the following activities:

- a. evaluating and assessing the certificated employee performance as it reasonably relates to the following criteria: (1) the progress of pupils toward the standards established by the school district of expected pupil achievement at each grade level in each area of study, and, if applicable, the state adopted content standards as measured by state adopted criterion referenced assessments; (2) the instructional techniques and strategies used by the employee; (3) the employee's adherence to curricular objectives; (4) the establishment and maintenance of a suitable learning environment, within the scope of the employee's responsibilities; and, if applicable, (5) the fulfillment of other job responsibilities established by the school district for certificated non-instructional personnel (Ed. Code, § 44662, subds. (b) and (c));
- b. reducing the evaluation and assessment to writing (Ed. Code, § 44663, subd. (a)). The evaluation shall include recommendations, if necessary, as to areas of improvement in the performance of the employee. If the employee is not performing his or her duties in a satisfactory manner according to the standards prescribed by the governing board, the school district shall notify the employee in writing of that fact and describe the unsatisfactory performance (Ed. Code, § 44664, subd. (b));
- c. transmitting a copy of the written evaluation to the certificated employee (Ed. Code, § 44663, subd. (a));
- d. attaching any written reaction or response to the evaluation by the certificated employee to the employee's personnel file (Ed. Code, § 44663, subd. (a)); and

e. conducting a meeting with the certificated employee to discuss the evaluation (Ed. Code, § 44553, subd. (a)).

Note: For purposes of claiming reimbursement, eligible claimants must identify the state or federal law mandating the educational program being performed by the certificated, instructional and non-instructional, employees.

## C. Training

1. Train staff on implementing the reimbursable activities listed in Section IV of these parameters and guidelines. (One-time activity for each employee.) (*Reimbursement period begins July 1, 1997.*)

## V. CLAIM PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION

Each of the following cost elements must be identified for each reimbursable activity identified in Section IV, Reimbursable Activities, of this document. Each claimed reimbursable cost must be supported by source documentation as described in Section IV. Additionally, each reimbursable claim must be filed in a timely manner.

## A. Direct Cost Reporting

Direct costs are those costs incurred specifically for the reimbursable activities. The following direct costs are eligible for reimbursement.

#### 1. Salaries and Benefits

Report each employee implementing the reimbursable activities by name, job classification, and productive hourly rate (total wages and related benefits divided by productive hours). Describe the specific reimbursable activities performed and the hours devoted to each reimbursable activity performed.

#### 2. Materials and Supplies

Report the cost of materials and supplies that have been consumed or expended for the purpose of the reimbursable activities. Purchases shall be claimed at the actual price after deducting discounts, rebates, and allowances received by the claimant. Supplies that are withdrawn from inventory shall be charged on an appropriate and recognized method of costing, consistently applied.

## 3. Contracted Services

Report the name of the contractor and services performed to implement the reimbursable activities. Attach a copy of the contract to the claim. If the contractor bills for time and materials, report the number of hours spent on the activities and all costs charged. If the contract is a fixed price, report the dates when services were performed and itemize all costs for those services.

## 4. Fixed Assets and Equipment

Report the purchase price paid for fixed assets and equipment (including computers) necessary to implement the reimbursable activities. The purchase price includes taxes, delivery costs, and installation costs. If the fixed asset or equipment is also used for purposes other than the reimbursable activities, only the pro-rata portion of the purchase price used to implement the reimbursable activities can be claimed.

#### 5. Travel

Report the name of the employee traveling for the purpose of the reimbursable activities. Include the date of travel, destination point, the specific reimbursable activity requiring travel, and related travel expenses reimbursed to the employee in compliance with the rules of the local jurisdiction. Report employee travel time according to the rules of cost element A.1. Salaries and Benefits, for each applicable reimbursable activity.

#### 6. Training

Report the cost of training an employee to perform the reimbursable activities, as specified in Section IV of this document. Report the name and job classification of each employee preparing for, attending, and/or conducting training necessary to implement the reimbursable activities. Provide the title, subject, and purpose (related to the mandate of the training session), dates attended, and location. If the training encompasses subjects broader than the reimbursable activities, only the pro-rata portion can be claimed. Report employee training time for each applicable reimbursable activity according to the rules of cost element A. 1, Salaries and Benefits, and A.2, Materials and Supplies. Report the cost of consultants who conduct the training according to the rules of cost element A.3, Contracted Services.

## B. Indirect Cost Rates

Indirect costs are costs that have been incurred for common or joint purposes. These costs benefit more than one cost objective and cannot be readily identified with a particular final cost objective without effort disproportionate to the results achieved. After direct costs have been determined and assigned to other activities, as appropriate, indirect costs are those remaining to be allocated to benefited cost objectives. A cost may not be allocated as an indirect cost if any other cost incurred for the same purpose, in like circumstances, has been claimed as a direct cost.

Indirect costs include: (a) the indirect costs originating in each department or agency of the governmental unit carrying out state mandated programs, and (b) the costs of central governmental services distributed through the central service cost allocation plan and not otherwise treated as direct costs.

School districts must use the J-380 (or subsequent replacement) nonrestrictive indirect cost rate provisionally approved by the California Department of Education.

County offices of education must use the J-580 (or subsequent replacement) nonrestrictive indirect cost rate provisionally approved by the California Department of Education.

#### VI. RECORD RETENTION

Pursuant to Government Code section 17558.5, subdivision (a), a reimbursement claim for actual costs filed by a local agency or school district pursuant to this chapter<sup>1</sup> is subject to the initiation of an audit by the State Controller no later than three years after the date that the actual reimbursement claim is filed or last amended, whichever is later. However, if no funds are appropriated or no payment is made to a claimant for the program for the fiscal year for which the claim is filed, the time for the Controller to initiate an audit shall commence to run from the date of initial payment of the claim. All documentation used to support the reimbursable

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This refers to Title 2, division 4, part 7, chapter 4 of the Government Code.

activities, as described in Section IV, must be retained during the period subject to audit. If an audit has been initiated by the Controller during the period subject to audit, the retention period is extended until the ultimate resolution of any audit findings.

## VII. OFFSETTING SAVINGS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Any offsetting savings the claimant experiences in the same program as a result of the same statutes or executive orders found to contain the mandates shall be deducted from the costs claimed. In addition, reimbursement for this mandate from any source, including, but not limited to, service fees collected, federal funds, and other state funds shall be identified and deducted from this claim.

#### VIII. STATE CONTROLLER'S CLAIMING INSTRUCTIONS

Pursuant to Government Code section 17558, subdivision (b), the Controller shall issue claiming instructions for each mandate that requires state reimbursement no later than 60 days after receiving the adopted parameters and guidelines from the Commission, to assist local agencies and school districts in claiming costs to be reimbursed. The claiming instructions shall be derived from the statute, regulations, or executive order creating the mandate and the parameters and guidelines adopted by the Commission.

Pursuant to Government Code section 17561, subdivision (d)(1), issuance of the claiming instructions shall constitute notice of the right of local agencies and schools districts to file reimbursement claims, based upon parameters and guidelines adopted by the Commission.

## IX. REMEDIES BEFORE THE COMMISSION

Upon request of a local agency or school district, the Commission shall review the claiming instructions issued by the State Controller or any other authorized state agency for reimbursement of mandated costs pursuant to Government Code section 17571. If the Commission determines that the claiming instructions do not conform to the parameters and guidelines, the Commission shall direct the Controller to modify the claiming instructions and the Controller shall modify the claiming instructions to conform to the parameters and guidelines as directed by the Commission.

In addition, requests may be made to amend parameters and guidelines pursuant to Government Code section 17557, subdivision (d), and California Code of Regulations, title 2, section 1183.2.

## X. LEGAL AND FACTUAL BASIS FOR THE PARAMETERS AND GUIDELINES

The Statement of Decision is legally binding on all parties and provides the legal and factual basis for the parameters and guidelines. The support for the legal and factual findings is found in the administrative record for the test claim. The administrative record, including the Statement of Decision, is on file with the Commission.

**State Controller's Office School Mandated Cost Manual CLAIM FOR PAYMENT** For State Controller Use Only **Program** (19) Program Number 00260 **Pursuant to Government Code Section 17561** (20) Date Filed \_ THE STULL ACT (21) LRS Input (01) Claimant Identification Number Reimbursement Claim Data (02) Claimant Name В (22) SA -1, (03)(a) Ε County of Location (23) SA -1, (03)(b) Street Address or P.O. Box Suite (24) SA -1, (04)(A)(1)(a)(f) Ε R City State Zip Code (25) SA -1, (04)(A)(1)(b)(f) **Estimated Claim Reimbursement Claim** Type of Claim (26) SA -1, (04)(A)(2)(a)(f) (03) Estimated (09) Reimbursement (27) SA -1, (04)(A)(2)(b)(f) (04) Combined (10) Combined (28) SA -1, (04)(B)(1)(a)(f) (05) Amended (11) Amended (29) SA -1, (04)(B)(1)(b)(f) Fiscal Year of Cost (12)(06)(30) SA -1, (04)(B)(1)(c)(f) **Total Claimed Amount** (07)(13)(31) SA -1, (04)(B)(1)(d)(f) Less: 10% Late Penalty (32) SA -1, (04)(B)(1)(e)(f) (14)Less: Prior Claim Payment Received (33) SA -1, (06) (15)**Net Claimed Amount** (16)(34) SA -1, (07) **Due from State** (35) SA -1, (09) (80)(17)**Due to State** (18)(36) SA -1, (10) (37) CERTIFICATION OF CLAIM In accordance with the provisions of Government Code Section 17561, I certify that I am the officer authorized by the school district to file mandated cost claims with the State of California for this program, and certify under penalty of perjury that I have not violated any of the provisions of Government Code Sections 1090 to 1098, inclusive. I further certify that there was no application other than from the claimant, nor any grant or payment received, for reimbursement of costs claimed herein, and such costs are for a new program or increased level of services of an existing program. All offsetting savings and reimbursements set forth in the Parameters and Guidelines are identified, and all costs claimed are supported by source documentation currently maintained by the claimant. The amounts for this Estimated Claim and/or Reimbursement Claim are hereby claimed from the State for payment of estimated and/or actual costs set forth on the attached statements. I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Signature of Authorized Officer Date Type or Print Name Title

> Telephone Number E-Mail Address

Ext.

(38) Name of Contact Person for Claim

Program 260

## THE STULL ACT Certification Claim Form Instructions

FORM FAM-27

- (01) Enter the payee number assigned by the State Controller's Office.
- (02) Enter your Official Name, County of Location, Street or P. O. Box address, City, State, and Zip Code.
- (03) If filing an estimated claim, enter an "X" in the box on line (03) Estimated.
- (04) If filing a combined estimated claim on behalf of districts within the county, enter an "X" in the box on line (04) Combined.
- (05) If filing an amended estimated claim, enter an "X" in the box on line (05) Amended.
- (06) Enter the fiscal year in which costs are to be incurred.
- (07) Enter the amount of the estimated claim. If the estimate exceeds the previous year's actual costs by more than 10%, complete form SA-1 and enter the amount from line (11).
- (08) Enter the same amount as shown on line (07).
- (09) If filing a reimbursement claim, enter an "X" in the box on line (09) Reimbursement.
- (10) If filing a combined reimbursement claim on behalf of districts within the county, enter an " X " in the box on line (10) Combined.
- (11) If filing an amended reimbursement claim, enter an "X" in the box on line (11) Amended.
- (12) Enter the fiscal year for which actual costs are being claimed. If actual costs for more than one fiscal year are being claimed, complete a separate form FAM-27 for each fiscal year.
- (13) Enter the amount of the reimbursement claim from SA-1, line (11). The total claimed amount must exceed \$1,000.
- (14) Reimbursement claims must be filed by April 11, 2006, for the fiscal year in which costs were incurred or the claims shall be reduced by a late penalty. Enter zero if the claim was timely filed, otherwise, enter the product of multiplying line (13) by the factor 0.10 (10% penalty).
- (15) If filing a reimbursement claim and a claim was previously filed for the same fiscal year, enter the amount received for the claim. Otherwise, enter a zero.
- (16) Enter the result of subtracting line (14) and line (15) from line (13).
- (17) If line (16), Net Claimed Amount, is positive, enter that amount on line (17), Due from State.
- (18) If line (16), Net Claimed Amount, is negative, enter that amount on line (18), Due to State.
- (19) to (21) Leave blank.
- (22) to (36) Reimbursement Claim Data. Bring forward the cost information as specified on the left-hand column of lines (22) through (36) for the reimbursement claim, e.g., SA-1, (04)(A)(1)(a)(f), means the information is located on form SA-1, block (04)(A)(1), line (a), column (f). Enter the information on the same line but in the right-hand column. Cost information should be rounded to the nearest dollar, i.e., no cents. Indirect costs percentage should be shown as a whole number and without the percent symbol, i.e., 7.548% should be shown as 8. **Completion of this data block will expedite the payment process**.
- (37) Read the statement "Certification of Claim." If it is true, the claim must be dated, signed by the district's authorized officer, and must include the person's name and title, typed or printed. Claims cannot be paid unless accompanied by an original signed certification. (To expedite the payment process, please sign the form FAM-27 with blue ink, and attach a copy of the form FAM-27 to the top of the claim package.)
- (38) Enter the name, telephone number, and e-mail address of the person to contact if additional information is required.

SUBMIT A SIGNED ORIGINAL, AND A COPY OF FORM FAM-27, WITH ALL OTHER FORMS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO:

Address, if delivered by U.S. Postal Service:

OFFICE OF THE STATE CONTROLLER ATTN: Local Reimbursements Section Division of Accounting and Reporting P.O. Box 942850 Sacramento, CA 94250 Address, if delivered by other delivery service:

OFFICE OF THE STATE CONTROLLER ATTN: Local Reimbursements Section Division of Accounting and Reporting 3301 C Street, Suite 500 Sacramento, CA 95816 **State Controller's Office** 

**School Mandated Cost Manual** 

Program 260			MANDATED COSTS  THE STULL ACT  CLAIM SUMMARY						
(01	) Claimar	nt			Rein	e of Claim nbursement mated		Fiscal Year	
(03	(03) (a) Number of Certificated Instructional Employees (CIE's) evaluated per (04)(A)								
	(b) Number of CIE's and Non-Instructional Employees (NIE's) evaluated per (04)(B)								
Dir	ect Costs				Object A	Accounts			
(04	(04) Reimbursable Components		(a) Salaries and Benefits	(b) Materials and Supplies	(c) Contract Services	(d) Fixed Assets	(e) Travel and Training	(f) Total	
A.	CIE's								
1.	Evaluation/Assessment - Ed. Code §44662, subd. (b), as amended by Ch. 498/83; Reimbursement period begins								
a.	Review emp	ployee's and strategies							
b.		of techniques							
2.	Evaluation/Assessment - Ed. Code §44662, subd. (b), as amended by Ch. 4/99; Reimbursement period begins 03/15/99								
a.	Review STA	AR results							
b.	b. Assessment per STAR								
В.	CIE's and	NIE's							
1.	1. Evaluation/Assessment - Ed. Code §44664, subd. (b), as amended by Ch. 498/83; Reimbursement period begins								
a.		Evaluating and assessing CIE per certain criteria							
b.	Writing eva	luation							
C.	Transmittin	g evaluation							
d	Attaching to	personnel file							
e.	Discussing	evaluation							
(05	) Total Di	rect Costs							
Ind	irect Cos	ts							
(06	) Indirect	Cost Rate			[From J-3	80 or J-580]		%	
(07	(07) Total Indirect Costs [Line (06) x line (05)(a)]								
(08	) Total Di	rect and Indir	ect Costs		[Line (05)(	[Line (05)(f) + line (07)]			
Cost Reduction									
(09) Less: Offsetting Savings									
(10) Less: Other Reimbursements									
(11	(11) Total Claimed Amount [Line (08) - {line (09) + line (10)}]								

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FORM
SA-1

- (01) Enter the name of the claimant.
- (02) Type of Claim. Check a box, Reimbursement or Estimated, to identify the type of claim being filed. Enter the fiscal year of costs.

Form SA-1 must be filed for a reimbursement claim. Do not complete form SA-1 if you are filing an estimated claim and the estimate does not exceed the previous fiscal year's actual costs by more than 10%. Simply enter the amount of the estimated claim on form FAM-27, line (07). However, if the estimated claim exceeds the previous fiscal year's actual costs by more than 10%, form SA-1 must be completed and a statement attached explaining the increased costs. Without this information the estimated claim will automatically be reduced to 110% of the previous fiscal year's actual costs.

- (03) Claim Statistics. (a) Enter the number of CIE's who were evaluated per (04)(A).
  - (b) Enter the number of CIE's and NIE's who were evaluated per (04)(B).
- (04) Reimbursable Components. For each reimbursable component, enter the total from form SA-2, line (05), columns (d) through (h) to form SA-1, block (04), columns (a) through (e) in the appropriate row. Total each row.
- (05) Total Direct Costs. Total columns (a) through (f).
- (06) Indirect Cost Rate. Enter the indirect cost rate from the Department of Education form J-380 or J-580 as applicable for the fiscal year of costs.
- (07) Total Indirect Costs. Enter the result of multiplying the Indirect Cost Rate, line (06), by the Total Salaries and Benefits, line (05)(a).
- (08) Total Direct and Indirect Costs. Enter the sum of Total Direct Costs, line (05)(f), and Total Indirect Costs, line (07).
- (09) Less: Offsetting Savings. If applicable, enter the total savings experienced by the claimant as a direct result of this mandate. Submit a detailed schedule of savings with the claim.
- (10) Less: Other Reimbursements. If applicable, enter the amount of other reimbursements received from any source including, but not limited to, service fees collected, federal funds, and other state funds, that reimbursed any portion of the mandated cost program. Submit a schedule detailing the reimbursement sources and amounts.
- (11) Total Claimed Amount. From Total Direct and Indirect Costs, line (08), subtract the sum of Offsetting Savings, line (09), and Other Reimbursements, line (10). Enter the remainder on this line and carry the amount forward to form FAM-27, line (07) for the Estimated Claim or line (13) for the Reimbursement Claim.

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FORM SA-2

	COMPO	NENT/ACT	IVITY COS	T DETAIL				
(01) Claimant			(02) Fisca	al Year				
(03) Reimbursable Com	nponents: Check only	y one box p	er form to i	dentify the o	component b	peing claime	ed.	
A. CIE Revi	ew employee's techniques strategies	S Eva	aluation to inclued and	ude assessme I strategies	nt			
Revi	ew STR Results	ssessment based on STR results						
	uating and assessing CIE ording to certain criteria	Reducing evaluation to writing Transmitting evaluation to C						
	ching response to onnel file	Dis	cussing evalua	ation with CIE				
(04) Description of Expe	enses			Ob	ject Accou	nts		
(a) Employee Names, Jo Classifications, Functions Pe and Description of Exper	erformed Rate or	(c) Hours Worked or Quantity	(d) Salaries and Benefits	(e) Materials and Supplies	(f) Contract Services	(g) Fixed Assets	(h) Travel and Training	
(05) Total Subto	otal Page:	of						

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## THE STULL ACT COMPONENT/ACTIVITY COST DETAIL Instructions

FORM SA-2

- (01) Claimant. Enter the name of the claimant.
- (02) Fiscal Year. Enter the fiscal year for which costs were incurred.
- (03) Reimbursable Components. Check the box which indicates the cost component being claimed. Check only one box per form. A separate form SA-2 shall be prepared for each applicable component.
- Description of Expenses. The following table identifies the type of information required to support reimbursable costs. To detail costs for the component activity box "checked" in block (03), enter the employee names, position titles, a brief description of the activities performed, actual time spent by each employee, productive hourly rates, fringe benefits, supplies used, contract services, and travel and training expenses. The descriptions required in column (4)(a) must be of sufficient detail to explain the cost of activities or items being claimed. For audit purposes, all supporting documents must be retained by the claimant for a period of not less than three years after the date the claim was filed or last amended, whichever is later. If no funds were appropriated and no payment was made at the time the claim was filed, the time for the Controller to initiate an audit shall be from the date of initial payment of the claim. Such documents shall be made available to the State Controller's Office on request.

Object/ Sub object	Columns								Submit supporting	
Accounts	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	documents with the claim	
Salaries and Benefits Salaries	Employee Name/Title	Hourly Rate	Hours Worked	Salaries = Hourly Rate x Hours Worked						
Benefits	Activities Performed	Benefit Rate		Benefits = Benefit Rate x Salaries						
Materials and Supplies	Description of Supplies Used	Unit Cost	Quantity Used		Cost = Unit Cost x Quantity Used					
Contract Services	Name of Contractor Specific Tasks Performed	Hourly Rate	Hours Worked Inclusive Dates of Service			Cost=Hourly Rate x Hours Worked or Total Contract Cost			Copy of Contract and Invoices	
Fixed Assets	Description of Equipment Purchased	Unit Cost	Usage				Cost= Unit Cost x Usage			
Travel and Training	Purpose of Trip Name and Title Departure and Return Date	Per Diem Rate Mileage Rate Travel Cost	Days Miles Travel Mode			Total Travel Cost = Rate x Days or Miles		Total Travel Cost = Rate x Days or Miles		
Training	Employee Name/Title Name of Class		Dates Attended			Registration Fee		Registration Fee		

(05) Total line (04), columns (d) through (h) and enter the sum on this line. Check the appropriate box to indicate if the amount is a total or subtotal. If more than one form is needed to detail the component/activity costs, number each page. Enter totals from line (05), columns (d) through (h) to form SA-1, block (04), columns (a) through (e) in the appropriate row.